

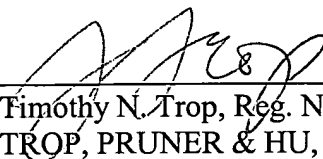
REMARKS

Claim 26 has been amended to remove "substantially" before "planar," calling for a planar surface. As pointed out in the office action, the surface in Pan is not planar, even if the Examiner contends that it is substantially planar.

Therefore, the application should now be in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: March 2, 2005



Timothy N. Trop, Reg. No. 28,994
TROP, PRUNER & HU, P.C.
8554 Katy Freeway, Suite 100
Houston, Texas 77024
(713) 468-8880 [Phone]
(713) 468-8883 [Fax]